

THIS IS THE DAY WE'RE ALL IRISH

Everybody Wears the Green to Join in Honoring St. Patrick

CELEBRATIONS MANY Archbishop Pontificates at Mass—Friendly Sons and Kerry Men Keep Day

We are all wearing green today, whether our names begin with "Mc" or end with "ki"—for St. Patrick, Ireland's patron, has been adopted by the world.

It's the one day in the year when one doesn't have to look at the calendar or the newspaper heading to learn the date.

In the stores and offices, the shamrocks and green ribbons proclaim that this is the 17th of March—St. Patrick's Day.

As on other St. Patrick's Days, there were many religious observances, but the biggest crowds than usual—even for Lent—attended the masses this morning in Catholic churches.

Archbishop Dougherty pontificated at a high altar in the cathedral at ten o'clock, at a solemn mass in honor of the patron saint.

This evening there will be dinners, feasts and entertainments. The somber spirit of the Lenten season abates a bit annually on the 17th of March.

The biggest event will be the annual "Leaving Banquet of the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick," which will be held this evening in the Bellevue-Stratford.

Judge McMichael will preside at the dinner and be toastmaster. Silent toasts will be drunk to the immortal memories of St. Patrick and George Washington.

This will be the 148th annual dinner of the Friendly Sons, which is one of the oldest organizations in the land.

The organization is nonsectarian, though the Catholic saint of Ireland's golden age is its patron and namesake.

The first purpose of the society, back in Colonial days, was to aid poor Irish immigrants in Philadelphia.

Chauncey Cleot, the Irish singing actor, who is staying at the Ritz-Carlton in this city, has written an appreciation of this festive day of Ireland's chief saint and patron.

"There is no national holiday more worthy of universal celebration than St. Patrick's Day. The world owes an incalculable debt to the apostle of Ireland.

The fundamental work of the missionaries and teachers who left the schools founded by him and went abroad over the most of Continental Europe, we can trace the origin of the culture of the present day in nearly every European country north of the Alps.

What the world owes, directly or indirectly, to St. Patrick it would be impossible to compute. All we can say is, that he was the fountain head from which the streams of culture began, those streams which we have seen flooding the world with music and literature.

"Shortly after St. Patrick's arrival in Ireland in 432 A. D., schools began to spring up in various parts of the country. The next of college was started later, and in 450 St. Patrick founded the very famous school of Armagh, the mother of all the great colleges of Ireland.

A century later we find flourishing the wonderful schools of Clonfert, Clonmacnoise, Bangor, Lismore, Glendalough, Ross and Cork. So great became their reputation for scholarship that princes and nobles from a part of Europe began to flock there for an education. The venerable Bede tells us of the crowd of Anglo-Saxons who flocked to these schools.

CATHOLICS OPEN SERVICE CLUB

Five-Story Building at 1019 Market St. Is Formally Dedicated

ARCHBISHOP IS GUEST Army and Navy Officers Attend Exercises at New Benedict Home

Hundreds of soldiers, sailors and marines are finding the new Benedict Service Club, 1019 Market street, a great convenience, and the numbers patronizing it bid fair to make it one of the most popular resorts for service men in the city.

The big five-story clubhouse was formally dedicated yesterday, although it was opened last week. A great number of service men were represented in the big audience that gathered in the hall on the second floor.

Archbishop Dougherty made the principal address, throwing open the five-story building to the use of the service men who pass through or are stationed in Philadelphia. Other speakers were Monsignor Drumgoole, of St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, one of the founders of the National Catholic War Council.

J. Percy Keating, vice president of the Philadelphia Archdiocesan Division of the Council; Michael J. Slattery, secretary of the council in charge of men's activities; and the Rev. Dr. Cooper, of Washington, secretary of the Women's Activities Division of the Council.

On the stage were Lieutenant Commander Payne, U. S. N., one of the pioneers in military welfare work in Philadelphia, and Lieutenant Colonel Hoffman, who is stationed at Camp Meade.

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STRAWBRIDGE & CLOTHIER

Special Announcements for To-morrow (Tuesday)

MAKE A NOTE OF THESE

Moderately Priced Suits; Serge Dresses at \$30.00; Inexpensive Silk Frocks

NEW—Allover Tucked Vests, in shirt-bosom style, with a bit of black piping; finished with collar and belt—\$4.50.

All new, some just being put into stock; excellent values, and all in those distinctive, out-of-the-ordinary styles that a woman will shop all over the city to find, and think her time well spent. Turn over model after model in this new collection of—

Spring Suits at \$32.50, \$35.00 and \$37.50

If you want a simple Tailored Suit with the edges braid-bound, it is here. If you want one of those smart, straight, boyish affairs on the order of a Norfolk, you'll find it among these. If you want a Suit with a vest of varying severity, or a close-fitted, plain-tailored, narrow-shoulder model, or one with the sauciest of short, full poplins—you won't need to leave this collection. Of men's-wear serge and poplin, two of the best fabrics of the season, in the always desirable black and navy blue. The Suit sketched, \$37.50.

Charming New Suits, \$45.00 and \$47.50

This collection includes the new Blouse Suit, also some plain-tailored models on long, slender lines, closely fitted and with the narrow shoulders and snug-fitting sleeves. One smart new model has a swagger little vest of pongee, mannish, crossed and buttoned with pearl buttons; another is finished with a gridle that ties loosely in the back; and some have tailored rows of braid and buttons as a distinguishing feature. Of men's-wear serge and tricotine, in black and navy blue.

New Serge Dresses at \$30.00 Arrive

Just received, the attractive loose-line model shown in the sketch; the tunic, the neck-line and sleeves are effectively braided; and dainty organdie collar and cuffs give a most enlivening touch. In black and navy blue.

Afternoon Frocks, from \$32.50 to \$40.00

Of taffeta, crepe de chine, soft satin, plain and printed crepe Georgette. Some with soft, swirling draperies, some with the new short tunic, also the new semi-bouffé effects are shown. Several very effective combinations of crepe Georgette with satin or taffeta deserve special mention. Black, navy blue, taupe, brown, gray, white, flesh, sunset and French blue.

Silk Dresses, from \$15.00 to \$165.0. The Serge Dresses, from \$16.50 to \$47.50.

Lovely New Spring Hats at \$15.00 to \$25.00

The pretty little straw with its ostrich edging (\$18.00) shown in the sketch, is from this collection. Also new large Transparent Hats heavily beaded; wing-trimmed Hats, particularly Turbans; the soft ruffled-ribbon Hats, Directoire Pokes and all the rolled and angle Hats of the season. All very new and distinctive, some adapted from French Hats.

Two Exceptional Umbrella Values

FOR WOMEN. Covered Taffeta Silk Umbrellas, in green, blue, purple and black; handles of carved woods, silver-trimmed or Bakelite tops; with wrist cord for convenient carrying—\$5.00.

FOR MEN. Umbrellas with covers of fine piece-dyed Union-Taffeta, mounted on 8-rib paragon frames; plain or natural wood handles in hook or crook style—\$5.50.

Household Cottons Specially Priced

LONG CLOTH—in the original 12-yard pieces—\$3.25, \$3.65 and \$4.15 a piece.

NAINSOOK—fine-spun; in the original 12-yard pieces—\$4.35 and \$5.50 a piece.

WHITE CAMBRIC—35c yard; SUITING MUSLIN—white; for nurses' uniforms, children's wear, etc.—31c a yard.

BLEACHED MUSLIN—18c a yard.

UNBLEACHED MUSLIN—15c a yard.

Fine Lisle Stockings Exceptional at 65c

Women's Gauze Lisle Thread Stockings, black, full-fashioned, with flare tops, sizes 8 1/2 to 10-inch. Well-liked Wayne Knit brand, more than ONE-THIRD UNDER PRICE.

Lace-trimmed Scarfs and Centrepieces (Art Needlework Store)

A special collection of attractive Scarfs, trimmed with muslin, fine lace, at prices unusually low for merchandise of this character.

Scarfs, 18x34 inches—\$1.00; 18x 42 inches—\$1.25; 18x50 in.—\$1.50

Centrepieces, 24-inch—\$1.00

Muslin Sheets and Pillow Cases

SHEETS—plain hem; 69x99 inches—\$1.75; 90x99 in.—\$1.95.

PILLOW CASES—plain hem; 45x36 inches—45c each.

500 Men's and Young Men's Suits at Special Prices

California Weight and Spring Weight \$28.50, \$32.00, \$34.50 and \$38.50

We had a similar lot one year ago, and made plans soon thereafter for this occasion. Our reservation of the fabrics was made in June, 1918—remainders and single pieces of desirable goods in quantities insufficient to sample to their many customers in the retail trade—secured at a concession in price, and held for us to be made up for this season. Therefore, these Suits are equal in every way to Suits in this Spring's regular lines at prices ranging from \$35.00 to \$50.00. They are really extraordinary values at \$28.50, \$32.00, \$34.50 and \$38.50.

The fabrics are of the most desirable character and the models excellent and up-to-date—youthful styles, both single-breasted and double-breasted, in neat plain colors; also a fine assortment of the conservative Worsted and Serge Suits for which Hart, Schaffner & Marx are famous.

Men's Blue Serge Suits With Two Pairs of Trousers \$32.00

These Suits are well tailored, of good all-wool blue serge, and it is safe to say that they would be good value at \$32.00 without the extra pair of trousers. Practically all sizes—regular, stout, slender and short.

Muslin Underwear in Extra Sizes

NIGHT GOWNS—of nainsook, with square neck and kimono sleeves, trimmed with embroidery insertion and lace, \$1.50. Tailored Night Gowns of flesh-color batiste—\$2.25.

ENVELOPE CHEMISE—of nainsook with lace and embroidery trimming, \$1.25. Flesh-color batiste models, lace-edged—\$3.00.

CORSET COVERS—various styles, all in extra sizes, made of soft nainsook—\$1.25 to \$2.25.

PETTICOATS—of long cloth, trimmed with imitation flit lace, \$2.75. Short Petticoats, with lace or embroidery trimming—\$1.50 and \$2.00.

DRAWERS—of long cloth, trimmed with tucks and Valenciennes lace—\$1.25 to \$3.95.

Silk Petticoats in Extra Sizes

Underskirts of soft satin mesaline to wear with the straighter lines of the season's skirts; made with plaiting on the tucked flounce. Black and fashionable shades included. FULL EXTRA SIZES—\$5.50.

Extra-Size Cotton Petticoats

Of serviceable black cotton taffeta flowered in lovely pink, blue or lavender designs; made with tucked and plaited flounce—\$1.50.

Women's Fine Cotton Union Suits at 60c

Extra Sizes—65c

We have just 2000 fine Ribbed Cotton Union Suits to sell at these prices. They are in low-neck style, sleeveless, with lace-trimmed knees. The entire lot should go quickly at these prices. Regular sizes, 60c. Extra sizes, 65c.

Now for Tailored Cotton Waists

Those charmingly simple Cotton Waists, that launder so easily, and that every woman likes to come out in with the first hint of spring.

Altogether beautiful stripes, and white trimmed in color.

Voiles, plain and plaid; dimity, Irish linen, linene, madras and plain muslin. Prices \$1.50 to \$1.75.

House Dresses of Unusual Merit, \$1.95

Women who find Straight-line House Dresses most becoming will be interested in these ging-ham models, some in neat striped patterns, a few in fine plaids. All are priced from a yoke and belted. Sizes 38 to 44—special—\$1.95.

HALLAHAN'S GOOD SHOES Introducing "Sweetheart" The Pump with The Buckle Super Quality, Graceful Long Vamps 9.50

Mirsch's 923 MARKET STREET We Will Open a Charge Account for You Apply Second Floor A Special Feature Sale Tomorrow Spring Dresses Reduced! \$7 and \$8 Shetland Wool Sweaters \$4.69 Intended to Sell \$16.00 Up to \$25.00 Lovely Spring Suits \$19.75-\$25-\$35 Novelty Striped Silk SKIRTS \$3.98 THIS NEW CORDED VOILE WAIST \$1.98

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